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Title : RIDGE WAVEGUIDE SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DIODE

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Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required for a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

Pages of Specification	52
Pages of Claims	6
Pages of Abstract	1
Sheets of Drawings	5
Pages of Information Disclosure Statement	1
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